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BIG DEVELOPMENTS BEING PLANNED FOR NEW OIL FIELD--EAST END OF NEW FIELD GETTING BIG PLAY NOW

Wainwright Oil Development Company Make Arrangements For Two New Rigs on Their Holdings.

The next few months will see things humming in the now proven Irma-Wainwright oil field. Within only a few weeks of the bringing in of a commercial well some ten or a dozen new companies have been formed or are being incorporated with the object of starting development in some part of the immense oil structure in Eastern Alberta. Probably one of the most important deals consummated during the last week has been with the General Oil Development Company of Vancouver and the Wainwright Oil Development Co., whereby the former company has secured drilling rights on the holdings of the local company whose acreage is adjacent to the town of Wainwright. The Wainwright Oil Development Co. was formed nearly two years ago and erected a small derrick just west of town where they drilled some two hundred feet of hole when on account of the financial conditions of the district operations were suspended till such time as more capital can be secured. With the present arrangements completed it is not likely that any more of the local company's stock will be sold and those who were able to back their faith in the local company with their subscriptions for stock will stand a good chance of being handsomely rewarded. The General Oil and Development Company (mention of which we made in our issue of September 28th) has secured one of the most complete rotary rigs in Canada including some four thousand feet of casing, from the Boundary Bay Oil Co., who have just completed a four thousand foot hole, the plant is being dismantled and will be erected just west of town as soon as it can be moved. In addition to this rig the company have secured a standard equipment from the Peace River Western Oil company, which will be installed in the present derrick on Section 36-44-7-4. We understand that it is the company's plan to rush operations on one of the wells so as to be able to secure a supply of gas for fuel for their own operations and for the citizens of Wainwright, the contract calls for drilling to be commenced within ninety days with continuous work thereafter. Another of the new companies recently incorporated is the Crown Oil company, of Edmonton with an authorized capital of \$250,000.00 this company we understand has secured a lease south and east of the B. P. well on which they intend starting operations as soon as equipment can be secured. J. O. Williams, the Calgary geologist who has been a great booster for the Baxter Lake district has his company under way and we understand has arranged for a drilling site on Section 20-45-6-4 only two miles from the discovery well. The Edmonton Gas & Development company whose rig drilled the B. P. well under Mr. Hugh Campbell's supervision, have increased their capital to \$1,500,000.00. Mr. D. O. Credille, the head driller has gone to the States to arrange for several more similar rigs to continue the drilling on holdings secured by this company. Another rig is reported to be coming in Township 46-7 a few miles north of the Fabyan well. The Irma Oil Holdings who own some acreage in 36-45-7, the section in which B. P. well No. 1 is located are negotiating for a rig for this location or for some choice acreage they own in Section 28 between the Fabyan and B. P. wells. The fine open weather has been a blessing to geologists and oil scouts who have been able to cover almost any part of the Irma-Wainwright district with their automobiles. This one great feature with the new field, there is hardly any part that cannot be reached by a good road leading from any of the three stations on the Canadian National Transcontinental Railway. With good roads, plenty of good water for drilling and cheap fuel, development should start in earnest early in the spring.

ALBERTA'S RECORD AT CHICAGO SHOW

The province of Alberta has been placed pre-eminent before the world as the greatest seed grain producing country on the continent by the wonderful record in winnings at the International Hay and Grain Show at Chicago during the past week. The winnings were as follows: Wheat—First and Grand Championship, Major Strang, Fenn, Alberta. Oats—First and Grand Championship, J. W. Biglands, Lacombe, Alberta. Red Clover—First, Field Peas—First. In wheat, five prizes were received compared with four last year. In oats, with Mr. Biglands winning grand championship for the second year in succession, there were 21 prizes to

Alberta out of 35, compared with 13 last year. In timothy two prizes were secured compared with none last year. The third prize for wheat went to Mr. Treble of Grande Prairie district, the fourth went to Mr. Fisher of Sedalia, the 12th to Mr. Grenville and 21st to M. Stooke. In oats J. H. Smith of Wolf Creek won second. The names of the other winners are not yet all to hand. In alfalfa three prizes were taken as compared with one last year. The splendid record thus made, which exceeds any previous records, and probably any record ever made by any other Canadian Province, is a wonderful tribute to the suitability of Alberta's climate and soil, to the work of the crop improvement association fostered by the University of Alberta, to the effect of the seed cleaning and marketing service, established by the Provincial Department of Agriculture, and to the great pains taken by the seed growers of the province.



Must Your Members at Ottawa Fight Your Battles Without Support?

Membership Roll of U. F. A. Counts for Something in Parliamentary Contest, Declares William Irvine—"Will You Help Us to Finish the Battle Which You Started?"

You owe it to us to stand firm as true men and back us in the fight into which you have thrown us. You cannot afford to let your membership dwindle. How are we to stand alone if you run away? Look at the position in which you put your representatives in Parliament. When we went to Ottawa we spoke the thoughts of about 40,000 organized farmers—then our voices counted for something. Next year we only spoke for about 20,000 farmers—our voice had weakened. How many shall we speak for in 1924?

"But I know that you will not run away. I believe that you are honest men, and that you will stand by those you will prove this to your representatives by filling up the ranks. The membership roll of the U. F. A. counts for something at Ottawa. It counts a lot with those who have power, but it counts for more in giving confidence and courage to your representatives."

This call to the membership of the organization to rally their forces was made by William Irvine, M. P. for East Calgary. "In view of the impossible condition of the agricultural industry, and the fast approaching world financial crisis, there never was a time when there was a greater need for a strong and well disciplined organization of farmers, or when the solidarity of those engaged in agriculture was more imperative than at this moment, and yet, if one is justified in judging the fitness of a movement from its membership roll and its enthusiasm, it is some years since the U. F. A. was less fitted for the task which swiftly moving events are thrusting upon it."

"The press of the Province would seem to be determined to destroy the movement which by its strength deprived the party politicians of their long enjoyed power, two years ago. The influence of the antagonistic press must be guarded against. It is subtle, persistent, and if not understood might be harmful. It tried first to kill the U. F. A. by ridicule and scorn. When the U. F. A. elected enough members to the local parliament to form a Government, the press began to misrepresent every movement and utterance of farmer members, to enlarge and display every weakness and mistake, and to treat every achievement of the administration with 'thunders of silence.'"

Press "Couesin."

"Next the press, by clever and subtle 'couesin,' tried to sow discord between the Labor and Farmer members of the cabinet, and failing in this, its last desperate effort is to drive a wedge between the movement itself and the Government it elected and for which it is responsible."

"I feel sure that when the farmers of Alberta fully realize the political game that is being played so openly, they will rally to save their own dignity and honor."

"The Farmers' Government is unique in having carried on its work with one single daily paper in its favor. All its good deeds have been under the ban of political obscuration, and every opportunity to criticize, misrep-

sent and vilify has been utilized to the full. It is safe to say no other Government could have survived for two years under a similar condition. Fortunately for the Government there is a strong organization behind it that understands the meaning of the machinations of the press."

"Are Your Principles Worth While?"

Referring to the contests which have been carried on by the Alberta members in the Federal field, Mr. Irvine said that the members had "proclaimed and advocated the principles which you formulated," and asked, "Are those principles worth while today? Then stand by them. You cannot say that your representative in Parliament have forsaken you this time, but, strange transition, your representatives will have to charge you with leaving them to finish the battle which you started and promised to aid in fighting to a finish."

"The chief reason for the decline in good standing in your organization, is not this a striking commentary on the present position of agriculture, and upon the absolute need for a strong organization to fight your cause? The crop this year has been bountiful, throughout—the greater part of the Province. Prices are low, and the amount which the farmers will actually receive for themselves will be small. But if agriculture is to survive, it is absolutely necessary that the small sum required to maintain your organization shall be provided."

ALBERTA WEEKLY MARKET REPORT

(Calgary Market Examiner)

Cattle.
BEEF—Edmonton prices eased off owing to heavy receipts of common to medium cattle; choice heavy and light steers \$16.00 to \$18.00; good \$15.00 to \$16.00; medium \$14.00 to \$15.00; common \$13.00 to \$14.00. Choice heifers \$15.00 to \$16.00; plain good \$14.00 to \$15.00; Best cows \$12.50 to \$14.00; good \$12.00 to \$13.00; medium \$11.50 to \$12.50; common \$11.00 to \$12.00; canners 50c to \$1.00. Offerings of bulls not very choice, up to \$1.50, and acruners at 50c. Calves lower, choice vealers up to \$1.50; most good ones \$2.50 to \$3.00; plain down to \$2.00.

Hog prices steady during the week at Edmonton, on basis 36.75, off feed; bacon 10 per cent advance.

Sheep.
Sheep receipts light at Edmonton, with lambs 10 @ \$11; yearlings \$8 @ \$9, ewes, fat, \$5 @ \$7.50.

Grain.
Prices have been sagging this week on the spot and futures which is usual at this season owing to the close of the lake shipping. Predictions regarding the market for the future are carried and one guess is about as good as another.

Poultry.
POULTRY—Live turkeys unchanged from present week's decline, now worth 10 @ 12c, old tons be; dressed turkeys down this week end to 11c @

Grattan Well Sends Forth Oil Once More

Pioneer Well of the Irma Field Ready at Any Time to Prove Its Reputation.

Ever since the Imperial Oil company disconnected the pipe line that led from the Grattan Oil company's well on Section 4-45-8-4 to the Fabyan well early last spring the connection on the top has been accumulating in the projection above the valve. Last Saturday workmen undertook to tighten up the control valve and before doing so the valve was opened long enough to spray greasy oil far over the bank of the river some distance away. Farmers living in the district heard the well blowing and Sunday some of them went down to the well site and reported that the ground and trees were covered with greasy oil similar to those in the vicinity of the Fabyan well at times when it was necessary to blow it off during the last summer.

A similar demonstration of its value was given at this well during the summer of 1922 when the wind blew the derrick down, breaking the pipe-line leading to the Fabyan well. At this time oil was blown over the top and side of the cook house over five hundred feet from the break in the pipe. Ever since then the connection on the pipe has been leaking making a whistling noise that could be heard nearly a mile away, but now everything is quiet and will probably remain so till the Imperial Oil company, who have secured control of this company's leases decide to open the well up to deepen it or to use the valuable gas for drilling on some of their other holdings.

MINUTES OF MEETING MUNICIPAL BATTLE RIVER

ER No. 423

Councillors of the Municipal District of Battle River No. 423 met in Council Room. Members present Messrs. Fischer, Golding, Smallwood, Burton and Armstrong.

Minutes of last meeting were read and on motion of Mr. Golding were accepted as read.

Balliff Harper reported on collections.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that Balliff Harper be instructed to take a portion of Mrs. W. E. Walker's grain for seed loan and that he would get a written agreement from her that her portion of the crop grown on said land in the future be applied to seed loan until paid. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Burton that the following accounts be passed and paid: T. Saunders—Weed Inspector, \$27.00; Parice, Freeman, Etc.—Law expense, 19.34; F. Marcoux—Repairs, 3.88; Burroughs Add. Mach. Co.—Inspection, 6.17; Irma School Dist.—Taxes, 12.00; Village of Irma—Taxes, 6.44; G. R. Golding—Councillor's fees, 35.20; M. K. McLeod—Repairs, 9.75; R. J. Tate—Salary, 375.00; McKenzie & Cox—Legal Exp., 19.20; J. D. Adams & Co.—Machinery, 76.00; Richardson Road Mach.—Mach., 87.78; S. R. Bowerman—Material, 1.75; R. H. Cautley—Surveys, 430.00; Royal Alexandra Hosp., 200.00; Stamps & Office Expense, 96.00.

Moved by Mr. Burton that account of Richardson Road Machinery for \$8.69 be tabled for investigation. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Burton that Sec'y be instructed to write Archie McDermid that if he will pay the amount his hand was sold for plus 10 per cent penalty the Council will issue him a redemption certificate and the subsequent taxes can be paid quarterly as he suggested. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood Mr. McDermid's letter be placed on file for further reference. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that time sheet of John H. Gano for \$67.75 be passed. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that the annual meeting and nomination of Councillors be held on the 3rd Saturday in February in the Municipal Office at 1 p.m. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that R. Headon be appointed Returning Officer at a salary of \$25.00 if there is no election and \$35.00 if there is an election. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Armstrong that the Returning Officer and Deputy Returning Officers be authorized to appoint a clerk in case they cannot act. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Burton that R. A. Headon be appointed Deputy Returning Officer and Fabyan school be the polling place in Division 1. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Armstrong that N. S. Beattie be appointed Deputy Returning Officer and Lewinville School be the polling place in Division 2. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Fischer that Wm. Stewart be appointed Deputy Return-

ing Officer and the Municipal Office be the polling place in Division 4. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that a public meeting of the ratepayers of Divisions 1 & 6 be held in the Fabyan School on the 2nd Saturday in February, at 2 p.m. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that this Council sell the balance of the sawdust at the Village of Irma for \$2.50. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that this Council offer to pay \$7.00 per acre for land taken for road allowance from the N.W. 1-4-7-45-9. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that this Council offer \$15.00 per acre for land taken for road allowance from S. 1-2-13-45-9. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that this Council offer \$9.00 per acre for land taken for road allowance on N.W. 1-4-19-44-9 and S.E. 1-4-30-44-9. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that this Council offer \$12.00 per acre for land taken for road allowance from S.W. 1-4-25-46-7 and that G. W. Bricks be allowed \$40 for fencing said road allowance. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that this Council offer \$12.00 per acre for land taken for road allowance from S.E. 1-4-25-46-7 and that Edward Owensson be allowed \$35.00 for fencing said road allowance. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that this Council offer \$11.00 per acre for land taken for road allowance from N.E. 1-4-25-46-7. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Golding that this Council offer \$20.00 per acre for land taken for road allowance from Section 33-46-7. Cd.

Moved by Mr. Smallwood that Council adjourn to meet the second Tuesday in January. Cd.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS

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During the last few months we have sent bills to several hundreds of our old subscribers who are in arrears, many of these have responded by sending along their renewals but there are a lot from whom no word has been received. Owing to the number of new subscribers coming in each week we find it will be necessary to discontinue many who have not paid up. If for any reason an error has been made in your bill or if you are unable to pay your arrears at present but will promise to do at a given date, let us know and any errors will be adjusted or your subscription extended.

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NOTICE TO READERS

There will be no issue of The Times for Friday, December 28th.

W. J. Blair, ex-M. P. of Provost has been chosen leader of the Conservative party of Alberta.

RED ROSE

For particular people—

COFFEE

"How good it smells"—for it is packed fresh roasted, and the doubly sealed can preserves its rare aroma and flavor.

One For All, All For One

Statesmen, publicists and thinkers the world over have been forced by the logic of events to full realization of the fact that the development of friendly relationships between nations and the maintenance of the peace of the world depends upon the creation of a sane imperialism rather than the perpetration of the extreme and partisan nationalism which was the guiding motive of peoples and nations in the past, and which finally culminated in the Great War. The development of such internationalism must be based on correct information and an intelligent consideration and understanding by the people of one country of the conditions, problems and ambitions of all other countries.

It has been stated before, but the statement will bear both repetition and emphasis, that in these days of modern rapid means of communication and intercourse no nation can live unto itself alone. All are interdependent on others, and what adversely affects one reacts on the others, and vice versa, what benefits one proves of advantage to all, provided such benefit is not gained at the expense of another. Even Canada and the United States, remote though they are in terms of geography from Europe, have learned that their welfare and prosperity is intimately linked up with the welfare and prosperity of the Old World.

It is well therefore, that even on these Western prairies people should from time to time, and as frequently as possible, give some thought and consideration to conditions in other parts of the world and the trend of thought and events in other lands.

For example, the revolution in Russia quickly affected the whole world. The rising of the Soviet Republic under leaders committed to the theories of Communism in its most extreme form led to a spirit of unrest everywhere, and a determination, cultivated by vigorous and intensive propaganda directed from Soviet headquarters, to enforce the most radical and revolutionary ideas in other countries. The experiment of extreme Communism in Russia brought that enormously wealthy country into a condition of bankruptcy and financial, industrial and economic chaos. The Soviet leaders found it necessary to revise their theories and to abandon many of their policies.

The result is seen in the report of a mission of ten British business men recently returned from Russia which is optimistic on present and future conditions there. Following the death of Communism, confidence in the Government has been established and improvement in conditions everywhere noted.

It may be argued that, with a return to sound conditions in Russia, that great country will again become a competitor with Canada and the United States in the grain markets of the world. This will undoubtedly prove the case, but, on the other hand, the resumption of business relations by Russia with the world will be a most important factor in restoring industrial activity in Great Britain, and to the extent that unemployment is lessened there, the purchasing power of British artisans and workers will be improved, and Canada will reap the benefit. Likewise, the opening of the Russian markets to exports from Canada and the United States will redound to the benefit of and increase prosperity in these countries.

Whatever, too, may be the outcome of the election contest now being waged in Great Britain on the issue of Protection versus Free Trade, and in which to some extent is bound up the question of extended preferences to the overseas Dominions of the Empire, at least one lesson is being learned by the people of the world. It is that if one nation persists in a policy of excluding from its markets the products and goods of other countries, those countries in turn will be forced to adopt a somewhat similar policy in their relations with the United States, or any other country adopting a similar policy of selfish isolation. The United States tariff has hit Canada hard, but it has not conferred the desired and anticipated benefit on the United States, and the longer it is persisted in, the more the United States will suffer in the long run.

It is gratifying to note that there is a steadily growing body of public opinion in the United States in favor of that country taking its place in the League of Nations, or, if that is not possible, in favor of the United States taking the leadership in evolving some substitute body for the league in which it will take its rightful place and exercise its influence in support of world peace, and the development of that same, and much needed, internationalism whereby insane, partisan nationalism will give place to a recognition of the truth that humanity is one, and that, instead of the old cry of each for himself, the new world slogan should be, "One for all, and all for one."

The Income Tax

Revision of Tax in U.S. May Result in Changes Here

Proposed reductions in the United States income tax, which is very similar to the Canadian tax insofar as salaries of moderate size are concerned, has aroused some interest in Ottawa. In his budget speech, delivered in 1929, Sir Henry Drayton, Minister of Finance, stated the principle that "our measures of taxation must, in view of our geographical situation, have regard to United States legislation."

Whether or not Finance Minister Fielding holds the same view, it is regarded as likely that important reductions in the United States tax would make the question of tax reduction in Canada a very live one. It has been argued in some quarters that a high income tax acts as a deterrent to immigration, and that a country anxious for immigration cannot afford to retain her tax at a much higher level than the United States.

There is vast difference between loving a girl extravagantly and loving an extravagant girl.

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The Maintenance of "Good Roads"

Better to Keep Existing Roads in Good Repair than to Concentrate on Construction

It is only recently that in the good roads policies and programmes of the provinces and municipalities anything approaching an adequate appreciation of the importance and imperativeness of systematic and consistent maintenance has been evident. The early tendency was to concentrate on construction. Experience, the most compelling teacher, latterly has impressed on the public authorities the need of the economic unwisdom of making large capital expenditures on the construction of good roads and then failing to sufficiently maintain them.—Ottawa Journal.

Hard to Fit

A very fat man was gazing at the things marked at sale prices in a hardware store's window. "A friend stopped to inquire if he was thinking of buying anything," "No," replied the window-gazer, wistfully. "The only thing that fits me ready-made is a handkerchief."

Charles H. Fletcher.

Open B.C. Legislature

Important Legislation to be Brought Down by Government

The fourth session of the fifteenth parliament of British Columbia was opened recently by His Honour Lieutenant-Governor Walter C. Nichol, who, in his speech indicated that important legislation will be brought down by the government before the house prorogues.

The government's legislative programme, it was stated, will include bills to regulate the hours of labor in certain industries, to reduce the present taxation on real and personal property, to effect amendments to the Taxation Act, to redistribute electoral constituencies, to reorganize the provincial police force and to consolidate and revise all British Columbia Statutes.

The formal opening of the house was more colorful than it has been in recent years, and was witnessed by crowded galleries.

Dogs Hold Leading Place

Tractors Fail to Displace Them in the Arctic

Dog teams still hold the leading position as means of conveyance in the frozen north, a certain type of power tractor has been tried in there but found wanting. In the opinion of Lange Koch, the Danish explorer, who has just returned to Copenhagen, after experimenting in northern Greenland with the machines. It is impossible to substitute self-propelled machinery for dogs, he says.

For Stomach Troubles Pain After Eating

For Men and Women, the Ideal Restorative That Helps Quickly, Is

DR. HAMILTON'S PILLS

A Medicine Which Enjoys a Sound Reputation Because It Brings Good Health

These vegetable pills possess in a truly remarkable way the power to strengthen and tone the stomach, the liver and bowels.

Thousands use Dr. Hamilton's Pills every day, and derive from this wonderful medicine the assistance the system requires in order to run as nature expects. If you have headaches, bilious attacks, indigestion, get Dr. Hamilton's Pills today and learn what this wonderful vegetable remedy can do for you. — 25c at all dealers.

Alberta Highway Improvements

It is practically certain that the \$20,000,000 to \$25,000,000 will be spent next summer on the reconstruction of the road from Calgary to Banff, and from \$800,000 to \$1,000,000 on four roads in Alberta, according to C. A. Davidson, chief engineer and chairman of the highways commission.

TEETHING TROUBLES

Baby's teething time is a time of worry and anxiety to most mothers. The little ones become cross; prevail their little stomach becomes deranged and constipation and colic sets in. To make the teething period easy on baby the stomach and bowels must be kept sweet and regular. This can be done by the use of Baby's Own Tablets—the ideal laxative for little ones. The Tablets are a sure relief for all the minor ailments of childhood such as constipation, colic, indigestion, colds and simple fevers. They always do good—never harm. The Tablets are sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25 cents a box from The Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Saskatchewan Junior Red Cross

Following their regular custom, the Saskatchewan Junior Red Cross is again issuing a Christmas stamp to be used as a sticker on mail matter during the holiday season. They are sold at one cent apiece and can be obtained in any quantity desired by sending to the Junior Red Cross Headquarters, 2321 Victoria Avenue, Regina, Sask. The entire proceeds from the sale of these Christmas stamps will be devoted to the Junior Red Cross Fund for Cripple Children.

As a veritable an excellent preparation for the Mother's Worst Enemy, the cold. It has saved the lives of countless children.

New Lieut.-Gov. of Quebec

Hon. L. P. Brodeur has been appointed Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec to succeed Sir Charles Fitzpatrick, who recently resigned. Hon. Brodeur was a Judge of the Supreme Court of Canada since 1911 and prior to that held portfolios in the Canadian Federal Government under the Premiership of the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier. He was born at Beloeil, Quebec, August 21, 1862, educated at the College of St. Mary's and Laval University, and called to the bar in 1884.

Minard's Liniment for Coughs

W. N. U. 1599

"Help the Veterans"

To help solve the problems of the Veterans' Associations, a Dominion-wide campaign for funds is now being conducted in the form of a Poster Judging Competition.

Send Donation of \$1.20

Every donor of \$1.20 will be presented with one ticket folder on which sixteen of the celebrated BOVRIL posters are reproduced in full color. Which are the 12 best, in order of merit, is what you must decide. The folder shows just what you must do. It is a fascinating trial of taste and judgment to class these posters in the order which popular fancy will endorse. It is a real game which can be played over and over again, and in which all the family can join.

To add interest, 2003 prizes have been arranged for amounting in all to \$20,000 (about \$18,888.00), these having been donated by BOVRIL LIMITED.

The first prizes are approximately as follows:

1st Prize, \$55,555.00
2nd Prize, 13,888.00
3rd Prize, 4,555.00

Only the vast scale on which this Poster Judging Competition has been organized has made it possible to offer these wonderful prizes.

Join in the game which is a most entertaining one, and which calls for intelligence and skill. To send your donation now and let every one try the game.

Address donations to any of the following organizations or their branches which are actively interested and ask your help:

Veterans' Association of Great Britain, 2725 Park Ave., Montreal.
Great War Veterans' Association, Citizen Building, Ottawa.
Imperial Veterans in Canada, 700 Main Street, Winnipeg.

Ether and Electrons

Sir Oliver Lodge Puts Forward a Remarkable Theory

Not a little speculation has been caused in the scientific world by a remarkable theory put forward by Sir Oliver Lodge at a lecture in London to the staff of the National Physical Laboratory on the ether and electrons. The research workers on the structure of the atom have come to the conclusions that the atom of each element is a differing arrangement of a common stuff. It consists of a complex nucleus surrounded by electrons. Sir Oliver Lodge's tentative theory is that it may be that light generates the electrons.

He points out that the earth catches only a minute fraction of the solar radiation—less than a 2,000-millionth part in fact. What becomes of the rest?

If the theory is correct it raises the stupendous question of light travelling through the vast interplanetary spaces and in some far-off distance beyond the imagination crystallizing into matter, giving rise to the constant rebirth of worlds unknown.

The electron generates light, he says. Does light generate an electron? He used the term "light" in a general sense including X-rays and all other forms of short-wave radiation.

Sir William Bragg has often directed attention to the singular relation between X-rays and beta radiation. The impact of a beta-particle emits X-rays; the impact of X-rays emits a beta-particle.

"There does not seem any insuperable difficulty," Sir Oliver says, "about hoping that some future discovery will be able to generate matter, or at least to generate an electron, by aid of X-rays or other form of radiation. I can dimly conceive a theory of light which when its advance was stopped, should terminate not in the irregular circulation of vortex motion that we call an electron."

It must be remembered that in putting forward this theory Sir Oliver is merely pointing a line of inquiry.

Cheapest of all Oils.—Considering the qualities of Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil it is the cheapest of all preparations known. X-rays and beta radiation. It is to be found in every drug store in Canada from coast to coast and all country merchants keep it for sale. So, being easily procurable and extremely moderate in price, no one should be without a bottle of it.

The Ancient West

Now that the scientist says the first American settled at Santa Barbara 35,000 years ago, the west may look with patronizing tolerance on the upstart east.—From the Boston Transcript.

Some men are so meek and lowly that they are even willing to do an honest day's work.

Canadian Families Smaller

Marked Decrease Shown by Census Completed in 1922

Canadian families are growing smaller, according to a report dealing with dwellings and families in the Dominion, exclusive of the Yukon and North-West Territories, which has been compiled by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, and is based upon the sixth census completed in 1922.

Not only are the number of persons to a family growing smaller when compared with returns made for previous decades, but the number of persons to a house shows a marked decrease. In 1881, the average size of a family was 5.32 persons, as against 4.62 in 1921. With the exception of Saskatchewan and Alberta, every province shows a decrease in the size of the family from 1911 to 1921. Spread over a period of 40 years, the Prince Edward Island family shows the greatest decline, falling 1.35, and Ontario comes next with a drop of .96. In Quebec, there was a slight increase, the average in 1881 being 5.32, and the standing forty years later being 5.34.

Of the total number of dwellings reported in 1921, \$3.91 were single houses, and 8.21 were semi-detached, while less than two per cent. were classed as apartments. Montreal reported 12,515 apartment houses, as compared with Toronto's 2,188. Vancouver's 1,250, Halifax's 937, Winnipeg's 582, Ottawa's 880, St. John's 562 and Hamilton's 672.

Stomach Cramps

Yield to "Nerviline"

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Saskatchewan's Crop

It is estimated that Saskatchewan's 1929 crop will yield \$275,844,650, distributed as follows: Wheat, \$189,465,500; oats, \$56,855,600; barley, \$7,420,800; rye, \$1,692,500; and flax, \$3,168,250. These figures are based on crop yields reported and gauged at the average price, which is expected to prevail during the selling season.

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Mr. U. A. Reid, Upper Musquodhoit, N.S., writes:—"I am very thankful for the benefit I have received by using Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills. When I came home from overseas in 1920, my heart was very badly affected by concussion, and my nerves were a dreadful wreck. I was very short-winded, and could not possibly sleep at night. In fact, I was in such a condition I felt as if I did not wish anyone to speak to me. I thought I would try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills, and before I had taken two boxes I could enjoy a good night's rest as well as anyone. There are lots of returned men who are suffering the same as I did, and I feel sure if they would only try Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills they will receive the same relief that I have."

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Pulp From Straw

Plans whereby western wheat straw will be utilized for the making of pulp for paper manufacture by a hitherto untapped process are being developed, according to M. Dolyphus, a prominent banker who visited Winnipeg in connection with the project.

Jones.—Oh,—er—Gargson regards eecce—er—er—aporteez-vous—la—

Walter.—Beg pardon, sir, I don't speak French.

Jones.—Then for goodness sake send me some one who does.—Pearson's Weekly, London.

The Canadian Lumbermen's Association has decided to hold its 1929 annual convention in Buffalo during the last week of January.



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New Serum Discovered

Medical Cries Interested in Report From Prague University

Great interest has been aroused in medical circles at London by a dispatch from Prague to the effect that Professor Mladetewsky, of Charles University of Prague, is believed to have discovered an effective serum for Arterio-Sclerosis. A patient treated with the serum is declared to have recovered within a short time.

Medical men, to whom the statement was submitted, agreed that if such a serum has been discovered, it would go a long way toward lengthening the span of human life.

Miller's Worm Powders work so effectively that no traces of worms can be found. The nests pass away in the stools without being perceptible. They make an entire and clean sweep of the intestines, and nothing in the shape of a worm can find lodgment there when these powders are in operation. Nothing could be more thorough or desirable than their action.

Germany Leads in Potato Production

Yield of Last Year, Estimated at 1,494,181,000 Bushels

Nobody knows just how many potatoes are grown in the world yearly, but the Department of Agriculture estimates more than 5,000,000,000 bushels were harvested last year, exclusive of Russia and the many small patches grown in the gardens for home use over the world.

Northwestern Europe is the world's greatest potato producing region because of favorable soil and climatic conditions, and its inhabitants utilize the potato to a greater extent in their diet, in the manufacture of alcohol, and as feed for livestock than in other sections of the world. Germany is the world's largest producer of potatoes, producing 1,494,181,000 bushels last year. The United States produced 451,185,000 bushels last year.

Minard's Liniment Relieves Pain

Ready Built Bungalows

Ready built bungalows are included in the British Columbia exhibit which was shipped to the British Empire Exhibition recently.

Elmhurst, New York, has a portable theatre designed for community service.

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Financial Statement of Irma Church

The Financial Statement of the
Official Board of the Irma Church for
the year ending April 30th, 1923.

We are grateful to Almighty God
for whatever measure of success at-
tended the work of the Church during
the past year. We are thankful to
all who have so willingly and gener-
ously contributed towards its tempo-
ral progress.

Irma Appointment

Collections from May 1st to Aug. 31st	\$50.43
Collections from Sept. 1st	129.75
Georg Tripp	10.00
Frank Peterson	15.00
F. Watkinson	5.00
Wong Lee	5.00
P. J. Hardy	20.00
Mr. Whaley	2.00
Mr. Tucker	19.50
Mr. Drew	5.00
Percy Jones	5.00
Larson's Store	25.00
C. McKay	10.00
McFarland & Co.	50.00
Dr. McGregor	50.00
Mr. Headly	15.00
Roy Whyte	15.00
Thos. Shaw	31.00
Miss Graham	5.00
Mr. Fowler	25.00
R. J. Tate	25.00
Mr. Jardine	10.00
Mr. Smallwood	10.00
Mr. Armstrong	30.50
Mrs. McDowell	5.00
H. Long	25.00
Mrs. Knudson	\$4.00
J. W. Graydon	15.00
Miss Clark	25.00
Miss Flewelling	1.00
Mr. Askin	20.40
J. R. Love	55.00
TOTAL	\$731.58

Alma Mater Appointment

Collections	\$34.80
W. E. Elliott	40.00
A. A. Fischer	20.50
L. B. King	15.00
J. H. Elliott	45.00
A. W. Toll	30.00
A. McMillan	30.00
J. G. Elliott	30.00
R. E. Costin	25.00
W. H. King	30.00
G. F. Arnold	27.00
Miss Kenepf	10.00
Mary Elliott	2.00
Mrs. D. Ambler	5.00
W. Renwick	5.00
Mr. Inklin	7.00
Mr. Burton	10.00
TOTAL	\$364.30

For Janitor	4.00
TOTAL	\$360.30

Sunny Brae Appointment

Collections	28.33
Mr. Geo. Smart	13.25
Jas. Fenton Family	35.00
F. W. Higginson	15.00
Mr. & Miss Sellers	35.00
Mrs. Lennon	6.50
Mr. McBeth	22.00
Miss Eaton	15.50
Mr. Seton	10.50
Mrs. Geo. Higginson	45
TOTAL	\$181.53

Roseberry Appointment	24.25
Mrs. J. G. Clark	22.00
Mrs. A. R. Harper	40.00
Mr. B. Oldham	20.00
W. Anderson	25.00
Mrs. W. B. Steele	5.00
Collections	30.91
Mr. A. Oldham	30.00
TOTAL	\$197.16

Russ Appointment

Collections	9.55
Harry Seltstad	2.00
John Watson	2.00
V. C. Peterson	5.00
F. Chaffee	5.00
R. McPherson	11.00
Miss McGrath	10.00
Mrs. W. E. Walker	25.00
H. N. Lister	26.00
TOTAL	\$108.55

Avonglen Appointment

J. Allen	5.00
Mr. Shotts	5.00
B. Haun	2.00
S. M. New	5.00
Mrs. F. Coulman	1.00
Geo. Hipperson	1.00
Miss McFavish	2.00
J. N. Carrington	3.00
F. Ford	1.00
F. Sawdon	5.00
Mr. Ballantyne	5.00
Collections	21.50
TOTAL	\$56.50

Strawberry Plains Appointment

Collections	20.31
Sunday School	10.00
Mr. Hill	20.00
TOTAL	\$50.31

SUMMARY

Cash on Hand	\$61.88
Irma	731.58
Alma Mater	360.30
Sunny Brae	181.53
Roseberry	197.16
Ross	108.55
Avonglen	56.50
Strawberry Plains	50.31
Trustee Board	200.00
Ladies Aid	50.00
TOTAL	\$1,997.81

Expenditure

Interest on Note	\$16.58
Cash Book	1.50
Coal	17.30
Bank Note	350.00
Connexional Fundg	167.00
Circuit Conveyance	150.00
Minister's Salary	1295.05
Bal. in Bank	.36
TOTAL	\$1,997.81

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pearance of things especially to those
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and A
Happy New Year

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Summary of

Assets and Liabilities

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ASSETS

Gold, Dominion Notes, and Silver Coin	\$ 81,589,681.80
Deposit with Central Gold Reserve	17,000,000.00
Balances due by Banks and Banking Cor- respondents elsewhere than in Canada	14,259,744.89
Call and Short loans on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	129,984,917.90
Dominion and Provincial Government Securi- ties	63,185,030.88
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	2,328,051.22
Canadian Municipal Securities and British, Foreign, and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian	37,601,758.88
Notes and cheques of other Banks	44,911,059.10
United States and other foreign currencies	361,592.00
Loans and Discounts and other Assets	281,888,581.74
Bank Premiums	9,800,000.00
Liabilities to customers under letters of credit (as per contra)	9,471,690.01
\$692,382,109.42	

LIABILITIES TO PUBLIC

Notes in circulation	\$ 41,602,735.50
Deposits	583,391,196.23
Letters of credit outstanding	9,471,690.01
Other liabilities	1,384,628.14
\$635,450,249.88	

Excess of Assets over Liabilities to
public \$65,331,859.54

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OPENING DOORS.

—BY—
ELINOR MARSDEN ELIOT
Author of "My Canada," and Other Stories
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(Continued)

It was not long after Teddy left us that I visited the Cameron household. Jim cut the wheat and oats on our place and then began to haul the sheaves away to the mill. At the same time as his own crop. After the first half-day Murray proposed that he should help with the work and his offer was accepted on condition that in return for his time and the use of our team and wagon the Camerons should be allowed to help with the "stumping" of our new field.

When Murray set out with his seed and had the twins insisted that they should be taken for a drive, and I let them go. And on the last morning Jim suggested that I should come too, so I put on a clean house-dress and climbed to the seat beside Murray.

The boys have the beginnings of a "first-year" farm. Murray told me by way of warning, "but the house is only a shack. However, they are bound to succeed in time, for they are the sort that will turn a dollar wherever they can do so honestly. The war set them back quite a bit, the man who was on the horse and the cattle was not much good. But this year they have a very fair crop and a good supply of hay."

"They may seem easy-going," Murray added a minute later, "but they can see into a deal as well as any man. Bob says that a down-east farmer would think it a crime to have these sheaves two miles to be threshed, but that with the high prices charged for threshing it is really cheaper in the long run to do this than to have the threshing machine trip to our place."

The Cameron farm is not so pretty as ours, but even I could see at a glance that it had been chosen by practical farmers. Their half-acre contains a greater proportion of open land than ours, and the growth on the wooded parts is almost all the easily cleared grass. They are not on the creek, and during the first year they were "up against it" for water, but now they have a good well midway between the house and the stable.

They had, even then, a fine band of cattle and, what they were most proud to exhibit, a pair of thoroughbred pigs and eight little ones. Next season, they told me, they planned to experiment with sheep, the Mowbrays having introduced some into the neighborhood and having been quite successful with them.

"There is more work with stock than with grain," Jim pointed out to me as I did my best to admire his pigs, "but then you don't lose them with hail or rust or frost. The cows and the pigs have been the making of many a farmer."

The precious pigs were housed much better than their owners. As Murray had told me, the house was just a shack. It was more or less clean and it was a shelter from the weather, but I could find nothing else in its favor. It was easy to see why the boys liked their place.

But I was not going to let them see what I thought of their bachelor establishment.

"As Teddy would say, this is some farm," I assured them. "All you need now is a wife or two and Jim turned scarlet from the top of his blue shirt to the edge of his hair.

"I Can Now Do My Work Without Feeling Tired"

Mrs. A. Moffatt, Roxton Falls, Que., writes:

"I suffered from a run-down system and nervous debility. I could not sleep or rest at night, and felt so weak I could not walk any distance. I took several tonics, but they only helped me while I was taking them. Mother advised me to take Dr. Chase's Nerve Food, and I felt great benefit from the first box, and continued taking several boxes. To-day I feel like a new woman, and am able to do my work without that dreadful tired feeling."

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as Bob explained with unexpected drollery, "No place for a woman in that 'bivouac,' Mrs. Aylin. If we have had two more good crops I'll build a real house and Jim will supply the wire, and then we'll be all set."

Winter set in early that year, the snow coming in October, and without the advice and the occasional assistance of the Camerons it is doubtful if we should have been prepared for it. Their having bought the standard crop from Mr. Herrington saved Murray what would have been the heaviest task for an amateur, but we soon found that we were going to be kept sufficiently busy with other things. Winter in the country meant more than the ordering of coal and the putting on of storm windows.

There was the kitchen to be built and, if possible, a small milkhouse near the spring. The logs for both had to be trimmed and hauled from the clearing beyond the wheat-field, and we had to get a small amount of rock further out from Spence Creek.

Of equal importance was the final plowing of the old fields and the preparing of the new ones for their first seeding. Bob Cameron gave Murray his first plowing lesson, which, Murray confessed, left him with a much lowered opinion of himself. The blasting of the stumps, and of the occasional stone that seemed to bear no particular relation to the land, was great fun for the children, but I was glad when it was over.

The task I disliked most was the lifting of the potatoes. It was not alone that it was dirty, both my hands and my clothes would wash. But I discovered a new muscle every five minutes, each one with a separate and distinct ache. The twins seemed to enjoy potato-lifting, but then they had a shorter distance to stoop than I. We had, we thought, almost enough potatoes to last us all spring, quite a good supply of carrots and turnips and onions, six or eight cabbages, and about two quarts of dried white beans.

One thing that troubled me, and Murray too, I am sure, was the absence of a payday every two weeks. We had just been wasteful at times on account of our ignorance, but we were not consciously extravagant. We had just been used to be so busy. We had money, with none coming in. What we had to learn, of course, was that we were living in a more primitive way than that to which we had been accustomed, that if there was less money coming in there was much less needed. But it was worth it at first, and I found that I had to readjust my whole theory of economy. There was really nothing to be alarmed about. I used to tell myself, so long as we all remained well, we had spent more than we had calculated upon and all that remained of my rainy day fund and Murray's gratuity was a very small balance in the bank. But I was wrong. We had no liabilities beyond the last two payments to Mr. Herrington, we had gone out to think of, we had clothes enough to last us for a year, and we could grow almost all we needed in the way of food.

Toward the end of September bush fires broke out to the east of us, and that taught me that I was troubling myself over things that were less than lions in the path. For days the air was full of smoke, and we braved to look out over the hills, and much damage had been done. The Fowlers, from whom we had bought our first cow, came and asked us to run through their valuable timber. Away to the east people lost their homes, one man his life, and the Camerons had a great deal of their hay burned—this last a calamity that I did not fully realize until the heavy snow came and the cattle had no forage for themselves as best they could. We were untouched, and I concluded that I had better forget the non-existence of baby clothes.

CHAPTER FIFTEEN

Mrs. Mowbray and her daughter Jean were the first women to set foot in my house. They came upon me without warning one hot afternoon in September as the twins and I were raking the vegetable tops into a pile in our tidy garden, Murray being away for the day with the Camerons. I was sorry at first that I was not prepared to receive them in state, but my uneasiness vanished with Mrs. Mowbray's first words.

"This is just how I expected to find you, my dear," she said in the abrupt way that I quickly learned to understand. "The boys have told us that you hadn't a lady bone in your body and that the house was not big enough to hold you. This is my daughter Jean, and I suppose these are your children—funny, I thought they were both boys at first time I heard their names. Jean, you go and put up the horse while Mrs. Aylin and I get acquainted."

I met Rupert with Jean, and Mrs. Mowbray and Nicolas and I went into the house, Mrs. Mowbray keeping up a constant stream of conversation.

She seemed to me to be the finest woman I had ever seen, not the least

more than half the size of her big daughter, and she was, all energy. Before Jean and Rupert came from the stable I am sure she could have drawn up a fatty accurate inventory of everything the house contained, and yet there was nothing unpleasant in what in a less attractive woman I should have been forced to term inquisitiveness.

"I wish Dickie Herrington could see his house now," she said, as she took her hat and went to the stable and removed my apron. "I just said to Father when I heard about all your nice things that you were a sensible woman. Your home is your home, and it is far better to wear things out by using them than to let them lie for your old age. That is not the way I live once, I say, and you're wise to have your pretty things and your good times as you go along."

I murmured something non-committal, wondering all the time where the woman got her information, and Jean's entrance had changed the current of the conversation.

"You didn't forget the basket, Jean? We just brought an art and some strawberries and some fresh eggs for you, Mrs. Aylin. I hear that your hens are not laying very well yet, they'll make themselves at home soon, though."

"That is awfully kind of you," I said, and I meant it. "It is just one of my country ways. I couldn't come empty-handed for the first time, and I knew the eggs would be good for your husband—poor lad, he's had a bad time, hasn't he? But Jim thinks he is getting stronger already, so that you keep your heart up. Country air will do him more good than medicine, you must say so."

Jean put the basket on the table without speaking. Murray says that she is a silent housewife. It is not polite to interrupt one's mother—and I had no first good look at her. She is not at all like her mother, and I learned later that she is what is known as her father's daughter. Tall, slender now and with the promise of being into the statuesque type, and just escaped being what Teddy calls "the smashing sort of beauty." She has long, straight, chestnut hair, with clear-cut features and a slow deliberate gracefulness of movement. Her coloring is lovely—light brown hair with the suggestion of waves in it, eyes only a shade darker than amber, and a very pale, delicate complexion. To me one of her most charming qualities has always been a delightful speaking voice, low-pitched and slow to match her movements, but with a steadiness of finish that is characteristic of her temperament.

"I was just saying to Jean as we came along," said Mrs. Mowbray, "that I hoped you two would be friends. There are no young girls in the district, and I thought Jean had not taken particularly to any of the other married women, and it is rather a pity. When Jim takes her to himself that you just what we have seen in Jean's disposition."

"Yes, Mother," said Jean quietly, but I thought I saw a flicker of amusement in the steady eyes.

"Now, I'm different myself," Mrs. Mowbray continued. "Give me lots of work to do and a household of men, and I shall be happy. I don't mind having a good time, but I don't like to be a day-dreamer, it's not right for a girl of her age to go to sleep, and I should have been told to have a good time with other young folk. It is now, Mrs. Aylin."

Had it not been for that flicker of amusement, I should have been told for the silent subject of her mother's frank discourse. But it was evident that they were in complete understanding between Mother and daughter and I felt sure that my pity would have been needless.

We spent a very pleasant afternoon—I had not realized until that day how much I had missed the society of women. Mrs. Mowbray, proud of her house and her garden with unstinted enthusiasm, while Jean was quietly and pleasantly attentive to the children that she did to me.

(To be continued)

Japan Becoming Industrialized

Wants to Exchange Manufactured Products for Food

Inability to produce sufficient food within her own borders, the food population of 60,000,000 or more is compelling Japan to change from an agricultural to an industrial nation, Masanori Hanahara, Ambassador to the United States from Japan, told a large group of Philadelphia business men and bankers during an address at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. Ambassador Hanahara was the guest of Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce and spoke on the commercial relations of his country with the United States. Japan is industrializing, he said, with the view of exchanging her manufactured products for food.

"This change, of course, involves the supply of raw material for her industries, and the assurance of markets for the sale of her products," Ambassador Hanahara pointed out. Here the importance of America to Japan becomes apparent.

"The greatest single item today in Japan's export is raw silk, and in 1929 America bought 80 per cent of the total exports of that product, amounting to over \$170,000,000," the ambassador continued. "At the same time it is interesting to note that the Japanese supply of raw material to this great American industry constitutes more than three-fourths of the whole."

Scientists say there need be no fear of the sun "dying" too quickly and of the earth getting cold. The sun's fuel will last, they say, for another billion years or so.



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New Record

More than 2,000 new varieties of apples have been produced at "Royal Canada Experimental Farm, Ottawa," according to W. T. Macoun, Dominion horticulturist.

Among the new apples named are the Melba and the Lobo, the latter after the wolf in Thompson Scott's story.

It takes 10 years to perfect a species, Macoun says. Most of the men engaged in work on the farm have been on the staff for more than 36 years.

The chum is made for Savannah, Ga., that is the largest distributing point on the Atlantic coast for fish and oysters.

Arsenic In Vegetables

Also Found in Nuts and Several Kinds Of Fruit

It has long been known that traces of arsenic are to be found not only in human and animal organisms, but in certain plants such as the cabbage, and turnip, and potato and in wheat, Jadin and Astruc, members of the French Academy of Science, found also that arsenic is to be encountered in rice, peas, beans, lettuce, celery, asparagus, parsnips, and in most vegetables used as food by man, as well as in apples, pears, pineapples, oranges and nuts. Since plants undoubtedly get the elements from the soil, arsenic must occur far more widely in nature than has been at one time supposed.

Florence Nightingale was born in Derbyshire, England, in the year 1820.

Sahara Railway May Be Built

Bill is to be Submitted to French Parliament

A railroad across the Sahara from the Mediterranean coast into Central Africa, which has often been reported under consideration by France; Italy and Great Britain, is apparently to be built at last. The Paris bureau of the New York Herald says that an agreement for the construction of such a railway has been reached between the Colonial Ministry and the Paris, Lyons and Mediterranean Railway, France's most important north and south route, and that a bill approving the concession will be submitted to the French Parliament. The French have long believed a Sahara railroad the only practical way of developing the resources of their rich African possessions and of bringing their inhabitants in touch with France.

Confirms Expectations

A—How do you like your new laundry?

B—Very well, indeed. I sent a dozen collars last week, and every one of the buttonholes came back.

A scrub woman standing on a wet floor was recently killed when she touched an ordinary electric light bulb.

BEFORE MY BABY CAME

I Was Greatly Benefited by Taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound

"Sydenham, Ont.—'I took your medicine before my baby was born, and it was a great help to me as I was very poorly until I had started to take it. I just felt as though I was tired out all the time and would have faint spells. My nerves would bother me unaccountably. I would recommend it to any woman. I am doing what I can to recommend this good medicine. I will send that little book you sent me to any one I can help. You can with the greatest of pleasure use my name in regard to the Vegetable Compound if it will help others take it.'—Mrs. HARVEY MILLIGAN, Sydenham, Ont."

It is remarkable how many cases have been reported similar to this one. Many women are poorly at such times and get into a weakened, run-down condition, when it is essential to the mother, as well as the child, that her strength be kept up.

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FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

"LITTLE FOXES." By E. A. Henry, D.D.

Interesting Stories For Young Folks

Published by Pernalston Thomas Allen, Publisher

No girl or boy ever says this about anything they love to do:

"No matter how hard it is, if they like it, they try it at least to do it, in fact, the harder it is, the more they try it."

Who ever care how many bumps he gets when learning to skate?

I saw a fellow once who was trying to walk over a pole. His clumsiness and he fell. "You can't!" they called out. Do you suppose he stopped? No! He kept right at it until he did.

Edison, the wizard of electricity, wanted to get a jewel point hard enough to be the right kind of an end for a phonograph needle. When it was suggested he could not get one, he just looked at the one who said it, and went right on and found it.

Every girl and boy should be like the man who refused to let that word appear in his dictionary.

When I was a little boy, I was brought up in a church where they would not sing anything but psalms. They called all other "man-made hymns" and one member of the church had sewed up all the paraphrases at the back for fear he might open them by mistake. That was a very foolish, narrow way to act; but if you have anywhere in your book of life the

words, "I can't!" just saw those leaves together so you will never see them!

For you can—if you will, and if you want to.

And if you can't, it is only because you won't.

I do not know who wrote these verses and will apologize for using them, but would like to pass them on to girls and boys:

It Can Be Done
"Somebody said that it couldn't be done."

But he, with a chuckle, replied
That maybe it couldn't, but he would be one

Who wouldn't say so till he'd tried.
So he buckled right in, with the trace of a grin

On his face; if he worried, he hid it.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done—and he did it.

"Somebody" scoffed: "Oh, you'll never do that!"
At least, no one has ever done it.
But he took off his coat, and he took off his hat.

And the first thing we knew he'd begun it.
With a lift of his chin and a bit of a grin;
Without any doubting or quailing.
He started to sing as he tackled the thing
That couldn't be done—and he did it.

"There are thousands to tell you that it cannot be done;
There are thousands to prophesy failure;
There are thousands to point out to you, one by one,

The dangers that wait to assail you.
But just buckle in with a bit of a grin,
Then take off your coat and go to it,
Just start in to sing, as you tackle the job,
That 'can't be done'—and you'll do it."

INFLUENZA

Don't wait till you get the flu. Dr. Minard's is the best and most reliable. The great preventive.



Treasures From Arctic Added To Collection In Memorial Museum, Ottawa

Ancient Eskimo domestic implements, the long, strange, spiral horns of the marwale, rare Arctic invertebrate specimens, birds rare and beautiful, a few hundred pictures of the lovely perfume-like flowers that bloom in a brief northern summer—these are some of the treasures added to the Victoria Memorial Museum at Ottawa from the hold of the Canadian Government steamer *Arctic*, just piloted back to civilization by the aged northern navigator and explorer, Captain Bernier.

They represent the summer's work of J. Dewey Soper, a young naturalist from the University of Alberta, who accompanied the Arctic expedition on its mission of taking supplies to far R.C.M.P. posts and justice to an Eskimo murderer now comfortably housed in penitentiary for life.

Lands traversed by the Arctic party in many instances had not been investigated previously, so that as a result of Mr. Soper's keenness the museum has specimens unknown to any other expedition in the world. It is the first Arctic expedition on which definite technical work has been systematically done by a trained naturalist. Mr. Soper brought back more than a thousand specimens ranging from the tiny warbler which enjoys the Arctic summer to the starting skulls of unbearably old walrus which this winter scientists will pore in their study of the history of the race. In addition there are many photographs of flora and fauna and Eskimo people, of the voyage of the *Arctic*, and the life of a mysterious and strange country now frozen the greater part of the year, but which was once tropical and productive.

A particularly interesting portion of the collection is a group of fossils, dating back many years. Some are of coral, proof that the region was once tropical. Mr. Soper brought many pebbles from the museum and made some excellent pictures of Eskimo beliefs in their party clothes. Ordinarily the women wear trousers much like the men, except that they are partly overshadowed by a poncho-like arrangement suspended from the blouse, elaborately decorated with colored skins. The Eskimo women are experts with the needle, and no white man dwelling in the north could exist without their good offices in the making of clothes and boots and sewing furs.

Eskimos have few fuel worries, having hardened to feel comfortable at a few degrees below zero. The Eskimo, in contrast to the summer basker made of seal skins skillfully sewn, is built of snow blocks which also form the mural decoration. What heat there is comes from hollowed out flat stones packed around with moss and filled with seal oil. For which the moss forms a wick. These are burned day and night but the temperature of the winter residence never rises sufficiently to cause the roof to drip.

The most beautiful things in the collection are the birds, some typical of an Arctic summer and others more rare. A horned hawk was brought back from Strathcona Sound, providing a most northern record for that bird; and the graceful tern, who summer in the Arctic and winter in the Antarctic, making a 10,000-mile return trip yearly. These are only part of the treasures unpacked. Later they will all be on exhibition in the museum. In the meantime, Mr. Soper, having accomplished a good summer's work, has returned to the University of Alberta and expects to go back to the north next summer.

Resources of North

Hon. James Lyden, Minister of Lands and Forests for Ontario, recently visited Northern Ontario and says that the possibilities of Northern Ontario are nothing short of marvellous, and states that the next fifteen years the development will astonish the Dominion. This year 1,200 men add four aeroplanes in fire protection were used in the north at a cost of \$1,670,000. At every point the people were optimistic and enthusiastic regarding the future prospects in connection with the development of resources of the north.

Robert Louis Stevenson became a lawyer to please his father, who feared he would starve by writing.



W. N. U. 1600

Iceland's Great Industry

Country Has Richest Fishing Grounds In the World

We all have heard about the Iceland of old, the land of the sagas and eddas and of mighty warriors, but very few know about modern Iceland, though the tale of her recent development and the great plans for harnessing her great natural powers and resources make just as interesting reading as those old sagas.

Iceland's minister to Denmark, Sveinn Bjornsson, tells of the wonderful resources of his country. Some of these are highly developed, others are barely tapped, and some have not been touched at all. Among the richest in the world, six weeks recently produced an export surplus of 45,000,000 pounds of herring. The Iceland herring contains a higher percentage of fat than any other herring and is much sought after, particularly in the Scandinavian countries. Only the finest herrings are exported, and before export are subject to close inspection by government agents. A small quantity goes to the United States.

The cod fishery is, however, the greatest industry of Iceland. During 1921 no less than 27,500 tons of dried and salted cod were exported, chiefly to Great Britain and the Mediterranean countries.

The export trade of Iceland was in danger of being seriously interfered with through the refusal of Spain and Portugal to allow imports of Iceland fish as long as the import into Iceland of Spanish and Portuguese wines was barred by the Icelandic Prohibition Act, but now a working agreement has been arrived at, and Spain and Portugal have both signed trade agreements with Iceland in the "most favored nation" form.

Americans Will Buy Herring From Canada

Fisheries Department Predicts Good Winter Business For B.C. In the matter of herring, the United States Alaska herring fisheries, there are splendid prospects that the winter herring fisheries in the Nanaimo and Barclay Sound districts of Vancouver Island will prove highly lucrative, according to a report issued by the Marine and Fisheries Department.

Preparations have been made this year for the handling of fish which, in the past, were usually salted and shipped to China. Many of the curing places have been enlarged to three times their capacity and, in addition, there has been an important revival in the curing of a better quality of fish in the Scotch style for the United States market.

A shortage in the Alaska supply has turned attention of an American buyer to British Columbia.

Vancouver Attracts Tourists

Estimated that \$24,000,000 Was Derived From Tourist This Year

A campaign was started recently to raise \$100,000 among the business interests in Vancouver for the purpose of advertising the city in the hope of attracting a greater number of tourists. So far the campaign has been meeting with success, and it is anticipated that the fund will be over-subscribed.

It is estimated that during 1923, 800,000 tourists visited Vancouver and from which a revenue of \$24,000,000 was derived, as compared with 700,000 and a revenue of \$20,000,000 in 1922. In 1918 less than 2,000 autos entered British Columbia. In 1920 the number had risen to 18,224; in 1922 to 28,281; most of these coming from Washington, California, Oregon, Montana, Idaho and other states. More autos arrived from New York alone than from all Canada east of Winnipeg.

The Medium's Friend

"Publisher George Doran, of New York, was laughing about Conan Doyle's rampant belief in spiritualism. 'Doyle's friends poke fun at him,' he said, 'but he takes it all in good part.' At a dinner in Golden's Green, the Greenwich village of London, Doyle's host said to him one evening:

"How will you have your roast beef, Sir Arthur? Underdone or 'But here the hostess interrupted. 'It takes no Sherlock Holmes,' she said, 'to tell how he'll have his beef. He'll take it 'medium' of course.'"

A sophisticated individual is a bit of cold ashes who hasn't anything left to get excited about.—Baltimore Sun.

Mexico Has Right Idea

Volunteers Are Teaching Illiterates to Read and Write

Since the Government of Mexico cannot in a brief time overcome much of the illiteracy that so retards the progress of the nation, the University of Mexico has made an appeal to all educated Mexicans to devote a part of their time to teaching as many people as possible to read and write. Already thousands of volunteer teachers have enlisted in the service. To encourage the work a diploma is given to everyone who presents for examination one hundred pupils that he has taught, and the diploma, aside from its symbolic worth, entitles the holder to preference for advancement in the government employ.

Seers Prophecy For Former Crown Prince

Say Throne Is Assured According to Paris Newspaper

The former German Crown Prince is much interested these days by prophetic utterances from seers in the United States who have assured him, according to the *Cri de Paris*, that "he will make a triumphant entry into Berlin before the end of the year, riding a white mount."

He will ascend the throne vacated by his father within another month, one American fortune teller wrote him. She said she had read this in the hall of a horseshoe forged by the Crown Prince during his exile.

According to this seer, the Crown Prince's horse will wear shoes forged by the ex-Kaiser himself.

The Choice of Climates

Easier to Keep Warm in Cold Weather Than It Is to Keep Cool in Hot Weather

"The Yerkist fool can keep warm in a cold country," but the wisest man cannot keep cool in a hot country. * * * Yet the Indian was absolutely right. If the number of persons who perish of cold in Canada were compared with the number who die of heat prostration in the central cities of the United States, it would be found that the former was insignificant. It is he who allows himself to be frozen to death in the course of the coldest Canadian winter, while many a woman has given up the ghost keeping a palm-leaf fan and trying to wield a "hot" heat of New York or Pittsburgh—Fort William *Times* Journal.

A Good Canadian

It would have been easier for Dr. Hastings to have gone to United States, where there are many centers for research work, but he preferred to remain in Canada, and he did remain, and insulin was born here because the man who nursed the theory to the state of completion chose to put up with inconveniences and fight it out right here.—London Advertiser.

The Three Degrees

President Puelcher, of the American Bankers' Association, was discussing a millionaire's career.

"He made his money," said Mr. Puelcher, "in all sorts of ways, but now in his old age he is a philanthropist."

"Oh, well," Mr. Puelcher ended, "it's the old story, the old proverb, you know—"

"Get on, get honor, get honest!"

Maiden Lady.—It is very good of you, sir, to give me your seat. Pat O'Brady.—Not at all, mum. It's dooty we owe to the sex. Some folks only do it when a woman is young and pretty; but I says the sex, Pat, and not the individual.—Philadelphia Public Ledger.

Unanswerable

Aunt Mary was trying to persuade little Bob to retire at sunset, using the argument that all the little chickens, went to bed at that time. "Yes," said little Bob, "but the old hen always goes with them."—Judge.

WINTER RESORTS IN CANADA



MORE and more Canadians who spend their holidays in winter time are coming to realize that Canada offers pleasant surroundings for both winter and summer holidays. Photograph shows Parliament Building at Victoria, B.C., one of Canada's world famous winter garden cities, where many persons from other parts of the Dominion spend their winter holidays.

WESTERN EDITORS



Jno. A. Carswell, Editor and Proprietor of The News, Red Deer, Alberta.

Estonian Settlers

Prairie Tracts May Not Suit These People According to Admiral

It is not likely that the contingent of Estonian settlers who will migrate to Canada next spring will settle in the prairie provinces. This was intimated in Winnipeg by former Rear-Admiral John Pitka, who has just completed a five weeks' investigation of land settlement prospects, which took him as far as the Pacific Coast. The Estonian representative said he could not say which part of the country he favored until he had consulted with his friends in Estonia, but he would say personally that he did not think prairie land suitable to his people, but that land of the bush type would be better.

A New View of Canadians

Lady from U.S. Agreeably Surprised to Find Some Nice People in Canada

Addressing a gathering in Toronto, Miss Amy Woods, of Washington, D.C., national secretary of the Women's International League of Peace, said she was agreeably surprised to find that the Canadian people were not the ignorant, brutal race that she and millions of others in the United States had been taught to believe.

The Brock memorial at Queenstown Heights appealed her, as she had never before heard that the Americans waged war in Canada. Miss Woods explained she had come to Toronto to enlist the support of Canadians in furtherance of the movement that was to make war impossible.

Heat Homes With Sun's Rays

Interesting Experiments Carried On By Investigators in Toronto

By the use of a system of mirrors called a "heliostat" the rays of the sun can be utilized to heat homes, so Dr. W. J. Harvey and Percival Byrnes, engineers, Toronto, claim. The sun's rays are reflected to the mirrors and then concentrated on crude oil which is contained in a tank and in which the heat can be preserved. The heated oil can be used to heat coils of any hot water system, just as now they are heated from the furnace, it is asserted.

Dr. Harvey is reported to have boiled eggs, roasted bread and burned a hole through a plank in a demonstration of the heating system on the roof of his residence recently.

If She Were Queen?

How crowded housing accommodation is reflected in the minds of children was shown by a Gloucester school girl.

In answer to the question: "What would you do if you were Queen of England?" she replied, "I should have a nice large bed all to myself."

Advance In Dairying Gratifying Feature Of Canadian Agriculture

Seed Cleaning

Stimulating the Production of Pure Seed in Alberta

Production of pure seed grain in the province of Alberta has become stimulated to such an extent through the efforts of the provincial department of agriculture and the Seed Growers' Association, that practically 50,000 bushels of pure seed will be handled through the agricultural department's co-operative seed cleaning plant this season, in comparison with the 16,000 bushels handled last season, the first year of the plant's operation.

So successful was the operation of the plant in its initial season, that applications were received this year from registered seed growers for more than 140,000 bushels to be handled through the plant. The capacity of the plant at present, however, will permit only the handling of approximately 50,000 bushels during the season.

The plant is acknowledged to be one of the most modern types of seed cleaning plants on the continent. Its operation on a co-operative basis has so encouraged the production of pure seed that there are now over 500 registered seed growers in the province, with the number growing every season.

The Root Cellar

Points About the Proper Temperature To be Maintained in Storing Potatoes

According to W. T. Macoun, Dominion horticulturist, the temperature of a potato cellar should be held as nearly between 45 and 50 degrees F. as possible. An occasional dip below 32 will not destroy the tubers, but it is questionable whether potatoes can be exposed to a temperature below freezing without some slight injury. The too low temperature usually makes the potato turn slightly sweet, and while, as seed, it may grow satisfactorily, there is always the chance that the tuber may rot before the plant has established its own roots.

It is, therefore, obvious that a warm cellar with facilities for cooling by way of ventilation, is preferable to one which is too cold. The ventilator, which in severe weather can be stopped up serves two purposes—it controls the temperature and it carries off the dampness which would otherwise form. A thermometer is the only safe guide, but if this is not available, then a bucket of water placed in the coldest part of the cellar will be a useful indicator when the temperature falls too low.

Valuable Paintings Discovered

Hidden Beneath Wall Covering in Warsaw Royal Palace

During the restoration of the Warsaw royal palace, dating from 1692, beautiful mural paintings of the 18th century have been discovered hidden beneath papers and tapestry put on the walls during the Russian occupation of Warsaw. The paintings are of the Italian school and are of great artistic value. Every endeavor is being made to restore them completely. No clue yet has been found as to the identity of the painter.

A Skyscraper Church

The First Methodist Church in Chicago is the highest building in that city, rising to a height of five hundred and fifty-seven feet. It cost four million dollars. In the lower part of the building is an auditorium and a social center. Many religious organizations have offices here. On the very top is a revolving church, lighted by electricity, which can be seen in four states. Special permission to erect a tower for this, was given by the city council.

Alberta At Chicago Show

Alberta will be represented at the International Hay and Grain Show at Chicago in December by a comprehensive educational exhibit to be prepared jointly by the provincial department of agriculture and the Alberta University. The individual exhibits from farmers are now in course of preparation and assembling. The provincial department of agriculture is paying the freight on these individual exhibits from point of assembling to Chicago.

Got Off Lightly

"Hello, Jones, what's up?" "Gunsbot wound, old man." "Great Scott! How did it happen?" "Oh shooting!" "No, home-leaving, the correct."

Don't follow in the footsteps of your competitors; set the pace.

One of the most gratifying features of Canadian agriculture today is the increasing importance dairying is coming to assume in the economies of the Dominion. The manner in which this branch of the Dominion's agricultural activity has expanded in the past twenty years probably outstrips in achievement any other phase of farming. Comparing the production of dairy butter in the Dominion between the years 1900 and 1922, it is found that the output has increased by over three hundred per cent, and the value by over six hundred per cent. In the last five years alone the output has increased by nearly seventy per cent and the value by fifty per cent, so that it can readily be seen the Dominion's rise to the eminent position it occupies now in dairying is a movement of very recent times.

The number of dairy factories in operation in Canada in 1922 was 3,111, comprising 1,161 creameries, 1,555 cheese factories, 262 combined butter and cheese factories, and 23 condensereries. The total quantity of creamery butter made in Canada in 1922 was 147,752,774 pounds, valued at \$51,530,780, being the largest shown for any year in the history of the industry. The total quantity of cheese made in the same year was 126,579,473 pounds, valued at \$22,067,405. The total value of condensed milk was \$6,839,232, and of miscellaneous products \$22,854,772.

A very pleasing increase is recorded in Canada's exports of butter, and markets have been secured abroad without undue trouble, on account of the high quality of the Dominion product. This now goes in quantities to the United Kingdom, Belgium, Bermuda, British Guiana, British Honduras, Barbadoes, Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago, China, Cuba, France, Hong Kong, Newfoundland, St. Pierre, and Miquelon, and in smaller amounts to several other countries. Approximately 1,300,000 pounds went to the United Kingdom last year, and 2,500 pounds to the United States.

Of particular interest is the dairy industry which is being built up by Western Canada. Five years ago the prairie provinces were dependent upon imports for their butter and other dairy products. Today not only are they meeting domestic needs from their own manufacture, but have a substantial surplus for export. Millions of pounds of butter from the prairies are now going each year to Eastern Canada, United States, United Kingdom, the Yukon and Oriental countries.

British Columbia Farms

The Small Farm Where Intensive Farming Methods Prevail

The province of British Columbia occupies a unique place in Canadian agriculture which is summed up in the fact that whilst the average price of occupied farm land throughout the Dominion is \$40 per acre, in the Pacific coast province it is \$120 per acre. British Columbia farms are more intensive and a greater diversity of crops is possible of production than in any section of Canada. Whilst in certain sections ranching, mixed farming and grain growing prevail, the small farm is the general rule, upon which all fruits, with the exception of the tropical, are produced, whilst experiments which are continually under way reveal that with the greater settlement of the agricultural lands British Columbia will achieve a renown as a producer of fruits, nuts and other crops which are hardly thought of at the present time.

A survey recently conducted by the Dominion Government reveals that there are 21,973 farms of one acre or over in British Columbia, as compared with 16,958 in 1911 and 6,501 in 1901. The figures illustrate that whilst the agricultural activity of the province has increased tremendously in the past decade, the average size of provincial farms has diminished somewhat, revealing an increasing tendency in the province to intensive farming.

Tariff Was a Moorish Chief

Tariff was originally the name of a Moorish chief who, having a port in Spain, near Gibraltar, was accustomed to levy toll on passing vessels. His toll became a regularly understood thing and the amount was added to the price of the goods.—Kansas City Star.

Alberta Rhodes Scholar

John M. Carrels, of the University of Alberta, has been selected as Alberta's Rhodes scholar for 1924. He is a native of Stirling, Scotland, and spent most of his life in Alberta, having received his public and high school education in Calgary.

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Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Hardy spent Thursday at Edmonton.
Mr. Cecil Ashin spent the week-end in Edmonton.

Mrs. Pearl Smart returned Wednesday night after a trip to the Capital.
Mrs. Elford returned to Irma Monday night with her daughter.
Mr. Norman Cook of the Imperial Lumber Co. spent a couple of days in Irma this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Erickson left Thursday night to spend a couple of months with friends at Everett, Wash.
Mr. W. Bibby has been confined to his home with a serious attack of neuralgia for the last week.

Sidney Bibby returned from Edmonton Thursday night after attending the Journal Carriers Convention.

Mr. L. C. Hatch the local butcher has been dishing out choice buffalo joints to his customers during the last week.

Mr. J. G. Clark is recovering nicely after an operation in one of the Edmonton hospitals, he expects to be home for Xmas.

Mr. Albert Knudson left Thursday night to spend a couple of months with relatives at Everett and Sultan, Washington.

Mrs. Elford arrived home Monday night with her daughter Alice Evelyn. Mr. Elford went to Calgary Friday night to accompany his family home.

Mr. Alfred Larson who was hurt in one of the elevators at Jarow a short time ago has recovered sufficiently to return to his home from the hospital at Viking.

Most of the schools in the Irma district are holding Xmas entertainments this week. The pupils of the Irma school are holding their Xmas exercises tonight.

Mrs. Norman V. King returned to Fabyan Wednesday night with her son Norman after consulting several specialists in Edmonton is a growth back of one of his eyes, but we are sorry to report that the doctors in Edmonton gave him very little encouragement as to his recovery.

ANNUAL MEETING OF IRMA AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
The Annual Meeting of the Irma Agricultural Society will be held in Larson's Hall Monday afternoon, Dec. 24th at 2 p.m. All members and those interested in the agricultural society should be on hand at this meeting.

LEWISVILLE

The hockey enthusiasts are all girding on their armor for the winter's excitement.

Robbie Dawson is visiting at George Rubenok's.

Our elevator man, Mr. T. Gotobed, was relieved by a substitute for a while, owing to his absence for the funeral of his father at Viking.

There has been one dance in Lewisville school recently and another is billed for the near future.

Wagons are rattling day and night almost, hauling the big crops from around here. Fabyan seems to be wonderfully lucky in securing cars.

Joe Rubenok burns the road now with a grey roadster, purchased from Karl Brunken.

Oil! Oil! Oil!!!—This country is expected to be just a forest of derricks by summer.

Fabyan school is all ready for occupation, furnace, paint, etc., complete. It is a bungalow style and an ornament to the place.

On Christmas Eve at 7 p.m. there will be a Christmas Snow Ball at Roseberry School. Programme to be given by Black and White artists. Come one, come all.

WANT ADS.

Cattle branded OI, with half circle on right hip are property of J. R. Love, Irma. Kindly notify if strayed.

STRAYED—From the S.W. Quarter of Sec. 30-46-9, 1 Yearling Red Poll Heifer, no brand; 1 Yearling Red Poll Steer, brand 582K on right ribs; 1 Yearling Red Poll Steer, brand 09 over bar on right hip.—Chas. V. Olson, Irma. -31-33p

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LOST—Yearling Heifer, coming two Hereford, white face, white patch on neck, legs and lower part fairly light color, no brand, \$2.00 reward for information leading to location. W. G. Gunn, S.W. 30-45-9-4, Irma. -34-36c

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WORLD HAPPENINGS BRIEFLY TOLD

Professor Shun (Shun), politician of the Yaman Choko, of Tokyo, died recently in Paris.

It is estimated that the German republic can feed three-fourths of its population without importing food.

The Hon. Lady Herbert, widow of Sir Michael Herbert, once British ambassador to the United States, died Nov. 19, at her residence in London.

A strike of workers in the cold storage plants at Melbourne, Australia, is seriously affecting the exportation of meat. Exporters have ceased buying until the trouble is settled.

John M. Cassels, of the University of Alberta, has been selected as Alberta's Rhodes scholar for 1924. He is a native of Stirling, Scotland, but spent most of his life in Alberta.

The Welshmen of the state of Victoria have invited Mr. Lloyd George to visit Melbourne and participate in the St. David's Day celebration in March next.

Haifa, with its natural harbor (see photo), is fast favored as the site for the port of Palestine, in a report submitted by the engineer assigned by the British Government, to study the relative advantages of Haifa and Jaffa.

A concession of 27,000 acres of land in Southern Ukraine has been granted by the Soviet Government to Harold M. Ware, United States agriculturist, according to a cable received at New York.

The Prince of Wales is to visit South Africa next year, the colonial office has announced. Arrangements for the trip were made with Gen. Smuts, premier of the Union of South Africa.

A painting by Raphael, "Madonna del Pizano," was among a number of valuable articles destroyed by fire, which specifically burnt out Sir Robert Thorne's mansion, Garregway, Wales. The painting was valued at around £20,000.

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Will Attempt Long Flight

A 10,000 miles flight from Amsterdam to the Dutch East Indies, Prague, Constantinople, Aleppo, Karachi, Calcutta and Rangoon, will be attempted in April by A. N. J. Vander Hoop, a Dutchman, engaged in the Amsterdam-London passenger service.

Great Men's Limitations

Also we have some great men who could settle everything between the French and the Germans, but who can't make their own children take castor oil.—Dallas News.

Constipation and Sluggish Liver

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Think Yukon Is Growing Warmer

Has Had Hottest Summer and Autumn On Record

This possibility that the Arctic climate is getting warmer is being discussed at Dawson, Y.T. The Yukon has just experienced the hottest summer, and autumn on record. The daily mean temperature has been the highest in 25 years. It was about 60 degrees Fahrenheit averaging in June, July and August, while the temperature went to 91 degrees on several occasions.

The most uniform and gradual change was recorded this fall and the Yukon River remained open for a total of six months.

November 16 was the anniversary of the latest closing of navigation previously recorded. The river was still open from Dawson to White Horse and north for many miles, although ice was running in the big rivers as far south as Selkirk.

Several men left Nov. 16 to tramp the winter trail and get their Christmas dinners in Vancouver.

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Paper Industry In Alaska

Timber, Waterpower and Transportation Conditions Make Development Easy

Development of an important pulp and paper industry in Southeastern Alaska is inevitable because of the waterpower, timber and transportation conditions there, in the opinion of Secretary of Agriculture Wallace.

The rate of development of the pulp and paper industry of the territory, says Mr. Wallace, will be controlled by the economic factor of distance from present consumption centres, and by the necessity inherent in the industry itself, for large capital investments, rather than by physical disadvantages. The physical conditions in Southeastern Alaska—presence of cheaply developed power, an enormous supply of inexpensive wood, and the available ability of water transportation—are the very factors which make inevitable the expansion of pulp and paper manufacture in the Territory.

No matter how deep-rooted the corn may be, it must yield to Holloway's Corn Remover if used as directed.

U.S. Intellectual Classification

Dr. Wm. Starr Myers Says Only Twenty Million People in U.S. Are Intellectual

Addressing the Canadian Club at Hamilton, Dr. Wm. Starr Myers, professor of history and politics at Princeton University, said that only 20,000,000 of the 105,000,000 people in the United States could be classified as intellectual. "It was on those that the republic will depend for its leadership of judgment."

What of the remaining 85,000,000 of people. From the best psychological, biological and other tests, 45,000,000 of them were sub-normal and had intellect equal to juveniles of 14 years; 15,000,000 of them were feeble-minded; and had the mental equipment of children of eight years of age, while the remaining 25,000,000 could at best only be classified as being mediocre.

Deplorable as these statements were, Dr. Myers said they should be recognized as facts.

Confronting the brains and the intellect of the United States therefore, was not the problem of Americanizing the foreigner, but, rather the prevention of the foreign de-Americanizing the United States.

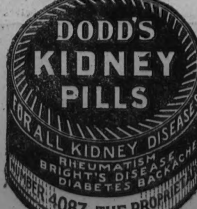
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Increase in London's Population

It has been estimated that the increase of London's population during the last century has been no less than 500 per cent. Van numbers were attracted from the provinces by the lure of plentiful employment and high wages. Now, having acquired the taste for London, they do not return, even though employment is not now plentiful and wages are not what they were.



Parcels For Britain Can Be Insured

Extension of Service Will be of Great Advantage

Under the heading of "Insure your parcels to Great Britain," the Post Office Weekly Bulletin issued from Ottawa under date of Nov. 17, contains the following information:

"The insurance of parcel post within Canada has been in operation for two years and has been working out satisfactorily. During the first year, 3,000,000 parcels were insured and \$10,000 was paid in compensation. The second year of operation has shown an increase in the number of parcels mailed, while the losses have decreased.

"The extension of the system to the United States followed the Postal Conference with that country in December, 1922. The service with the United States is giving very satisfaction."

"Following the policy of giving the public every possible postal facility, negotiations have been conducted with the British Post Office with a view to establishing an insurance of parcel post system between the two countries. These negotiations have resulted in the establishment of the service, dating from Nov. 15, 1923. The same regulations apply as to parcels for delivery within Canada, with the exception that the scale of insurance fees will be as follows:

"12c for insurance not exceeding \$50.

"25c for insurance exceeding \$50, and not exceeding \$100.

"Undoubtedly this latest extension of the service will be of great advantage to persons mailing parcels to Great Britain. They will be afforded an opportunity to protect themselves against loss up to \$100, at a very moderate fee."

"The public should take full advantage of this extension of the post office insurance system and insure all parcels for Great Britain."

Investigating Old Claims

Disputes Half Century Old Will Be Settled

Events that occurred in the Fiji Islands in 1874—nearly half a century ago—are to be investigated by a commission that is meeting at Cornwall House, London.

When the Fiji Islands were annexed by Great Britain, in 1874, American agents asserted that they were unjustly deprived of land. Their claims, for compensation are to be decided by the body that met recently. It is known as the Pecuniary Claims Commission, and it was set up under an agreement between Great Britain and America that was signed in 1910.

The decision was not in 1913-14, and heard other claims that dated from about 100 years ago. The war then interrupted the proceedings.

Claims it now has to hear, besides those about Fiji, include the two put forward by Great Britain on behalf of a cable company whose cables were cut by the American navy during the Spanish-American war, and one by America concerning the supply of bridging material for the Orange Free State before the Boer War.

U.S. Behind In Shipbuilding

Has Dropped to Sixth Place in Last Four Years

The United States has dropped among the shipbuilding nations of the world in the last four years, the Department of Commerce states. Not only Great Britain and Germany, but also Italy, France and the Netherlands are building more tonnage than the United States, according to returns for the quarter ended with September 30. The United States is in the close of that quarter was smaller than at any time since the war and represents a decline of 165,000 gross tons in comparison with the quarter ended with June.

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Unique Contest In France

Finger Talking Competition to Be Staged by Deaf Mutes

Deaf mutes from twenty nations will hold their Olympic games in Paris next August. The French organizing committee has received assurances that there will be 400 participants in all branches of sport for prizes totalling more than \$5,000, which include scholarships in deaf and dumb institutions for the leading point winners.

A novelty will be a speed contest in finger-talking. Paris boasts of an entrant who is able to snap off 150 words a minute.

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One thousand young buffalo will be taken from the big park at Wainwright, Alberta, and turned loose in the north in the region in which wood buffalo are found. Hon. Charles Stewart, Minister of the Interior, announces. This will remove part of the objection to the slaughter of these animals, made necessary by the increasing size of the Wainwright herd.

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U.S. Dirigible For Arctic Expedition

Will Give Assistance in Polar Flight If Needed

A United States naval aviator will participate in an attempt next summer to traverse the Arctic regions by airplane, the navy department at Washington has announced. Lieut. Ralph E. Davidson will pilot one of the three planes, making up the convoy to a point about 450 miles from the north pole, from which the final "take off" will be made.

Airplanes of special design will be used, equipped to permit landings on ice, snow or water. Each will be equipped with radio sets for communication with the depot ship at the permanent base, which, in turn, will have wireless apparatus strong enough to relay the explorers' reports to the world.

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London Loans Money To German Railways

British Government Not Involved in Business Transaction

A contract has been signed in London for a credit of £3,000,000 to the German state railways to be used in the purchase of coal. Of this amount £750,000 becomes immediately available, the remainder being subject to Germany providing external guarantees. It is a purely commercial transaction in which the British Government is not involved and has no political significance, it is stated.

The guarantee for the loan is to be assumed by the German Government, rather than by private industry, the paper adding that the international capital will probably be invested in the gold note bank which it is proposed to establish.

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Low prices are the fly in the ointment, and it is not surprising that an occasional man, worn by wrestling long hours with tangled straw, surveys his situation ruefully, wondering what he is going to get out of it all. He will feel better, of course, when he has rested awhile. Mean-time chronic pessimists go so far as to declare they were better off with smaller crops and higher prices, thus virtually cursing nature for her bounty. This is morbid.

The world's market situation is what world causes make it. A poor crop in Alberta would not have raised values materially but would have greatly diminished the aggregate worth of our production. A plentiful crop is something for which to be grateful.

The value of our record crop is going to depend largely upon how we utilize it. Unfortunately this issue is

in some cases predetermined by circumstances over which the producer has lost control. The farmer deeply indebted to exacting creditors may have to dispose of his grain hastily for what he can get. His most valuable legacy from the harvest, over and beyond the liquidation of some obligations, is a lesson to endeavour to get out and stay out of debt so as to be in a position to market to better advantage.

Those not so badly involved may be able to retain part of their crop, cashing in only enough to meet immediate business and living requirements. By feeding to live stock a better revenue may be realized on the balance.

"And let it be the resolve of every man to carry forward a bin of grain and a few stacks of feed against future deficiencies. Nothing is more certain than that good and poor crops, like high and low prices, alternate by intervals if not by years. Wise is he who follows the Israelitish Captain's example by carrying forward a surplus from the fat years to tide over the lean ones.

Who in any rural community gets ahead faster—the one who periodically buys dear seed and feed, or the forward-looking neighbor who always at such times has a surplus reserve to sell? There is such a thing as looking too

narrowly at fluctuating prices and not enough at intrinsic values as determined by the outcome of permanent systems of farming. Nothing is surer than that Canada is going ahead and that gradually times will improve. We have today an unexampled opportunity to lay broad foundations for future prosperity. If the cheap feed and seed grain produced so abundantly this year be used to sustain growing herds and flocks and studs of good stock and to produce a little larger acreage of well-tended crop next year and so on increasingly year by year, always financing, of course, within the limits of prudence, it will only be a matter of time until we find ourselves with the happy combination of ample crops, large choice stocks and good prices. It is good business to sow cheap high quality seed in order to produce successively more valuable crops. Let us steadily build up.

We need more permanent, purposeful, far-seeing work in Western Agriculture. With it will come not only financial prosperity but a greater measure of stability, character, and satisfaction.

Join the U. F. A. It needs you and you need it.

Uplift Corner.

DO YOU KNOW?

That the past two years have witnessed a peculiar change in the attitude of scientists in regard to Evolution; many of them now admit they have a bigger task on hand than they supposed. Many of the world's best students have commented on the difficulty of explaining the theory of evolution by any of the methods followed in the past century.

The beginning of the scientific despair was at the British Association for the Advancement of Science in Edinburgh, 1921, when D. H. Scott the famous paleo-botanist said "For the moment at all events, the Darwinian period is past; we can no longer enjoy the comfortable assurance which once satisfied so many of us, viz. that the main problem had been solved—all is again in the melting pot; a new generation has grown up that knows no Darwin."

In the same year, Dr. William Bateson, England's greatest geneticist gave the chief address at a meeting in Toronto and surprised the American scientists by declaring that "Though our faith in evolution stands unshaken we have NO ACCEPTABLE account of the origin of Species". He said, "40 years ago, biologists would tell you how new species arose. But today they felt that silence was the wiser

course, because the logical pursuits of the studies in heredity had failed to reveal any clues as to the origin of new forms of life."

In an article in "Science" of Nov. 24th, 1922, by Dr. Raymond Pearl, Baltimore Maryland says, "for the past half century biologists have been concerned how to answer the questions 'whence, why, and how came the animals and plants which inhabit the earth, to be here at all.'"

And so I could go on quoting from magazines and writers. The split that has come between scientific thinkers and others who have thrown Darwin overboard, and those who have not. For a long time scientists have rejected what the Book says about the origin of things. They have characterized its record as old-fashioned and out of date; now they are in a maze of speculation and despair—that their own pet theory must go the way of all human methods which belittle the fountain of all truth. The Word of God has stood the assault of 'false philosophy in past ages and it is able to do so still. Do you know that this Book foretold at this very time that there will be a cry go forth to every tongue and nation. It is the third part of the last message that the Bible gives to the world—for immediately after this third fold message is delivered, the Revelator says "I beheld a white cloud upon which sat One

coming as King with a sharp sickle to harvest the earth." The first part of that message is in Rev. 14: 7: "Fear God and give glory to Him for the hour of His Judgment is come, and worship him that made heaven and earth and the sea, and the fountains of water, and ALL THINGS that are therein." God has been robbed of His glory as Creator by the teachings of evolution. The old Book is yet reliable. It is indeed the Word of God to Man dependable at every turn.

It offers eternal life to you for this transitory life. Are you concerned about it? Study the Book, it contains only the Truth—and the Truth abideth for ever.

"CALLED OUT"

The value of the asbestos exports of Canada for the 12 months ended August, 1923, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics, exceeded the value of those of the previous year by nearly \$5,000,000. These exports for the last year amounted to 292,848 tons, valued at \$3,376,249, compared with 122,785 tons, valued at \$5,904,551 in 1922.

The first consignment of 1,000 pounds of British Columbia Douglas fir seeds has been shipped to the British Forestry Commission, London, by the Dominion Forestry Branch, from its plant at New Westminster, British Columbia. The seeds were extracted from the cones recently gathered in the Fraser Valley.